

Table 9—Demographic characteristics of hired farmworkers by census region, 2000

Annual averages					
Characteristic	Northeast	Midwest	South	West	All hired farmworkers
<i>Thousands</i>					
Total	64	161	261	392	878
<i>Percent</i>					
Racial/ethnic group:					
White	96.0*	92.2*	45.9	21.7*	47.2
Hispanic	3.4*	7.8*	39.3	74.0*	46.4
Black and others	0.6	0*	14.8*	4.2*	6.4
Gender:					
Male	73.3*	76.2	85.0	83.9	82.1
Female	26.7	23.8	15.0	16.1	17.9
Age (years):					
Less than 20	14.0	27.2*	12.1	9.9	14.0
20-24	16.0	10.2	11.5	12.3	12.0
25-34	31.7	20.4	16.7*	27.4	23.2
35-44	20.0	19.2	25.2	25.0	23.7
45-54	12.7	12.2	17.2	13.9	14.5
55 and over	5.6	10.8	17.3	11.5	12.6
Median age	31	31	38	35	35
Marital status:					
Married	54.0	42.1*	56.1	59.8	55.0
Widowed, divorced, or separated	7.6	8.0	10.8	6.9	8.3
Never married	38.4	49.9*	33.1	33.3	36.7
Schooling completed:					
0-4 years	0*	0.5	10.5	22.6	13.4
5-8 years	8.0*	9.6*	18.0	29.8*	21.0
9-11 years	16.4	22.4	27.4	17.2	21.2
12 years ¹	39.8	36.3*	28.7	17.2*	25.7
13 or more years	35.8*	31.2*	15.4	13.0*	18.7
Citizenship:					
U.S. citizen	97.5*	94.1*	77.5*	37.5*	64.1
Not U.S. citizen	2.5*	5.9*	22.5*	62.5*	35.9
Establishment:					
Crop production	23.6*	32.6*	47.4	70.7*	53.4
Livestock production	62.7*	63.9*	45.2	17.2*	37.4
Other establishments ²	13.7	3.5*	7.4	12.1	9.2

¹ To be included under 12 years of education completed, a diploma, GED, or equivalent degree must have been granted.

² Other establishments refer to agricultural services.

*Significantly different from all hired farmworkers at the 95-percent confidence level.

Source: Calculated by ERS using data from the Current Population Survey earnings microdata earnings file.